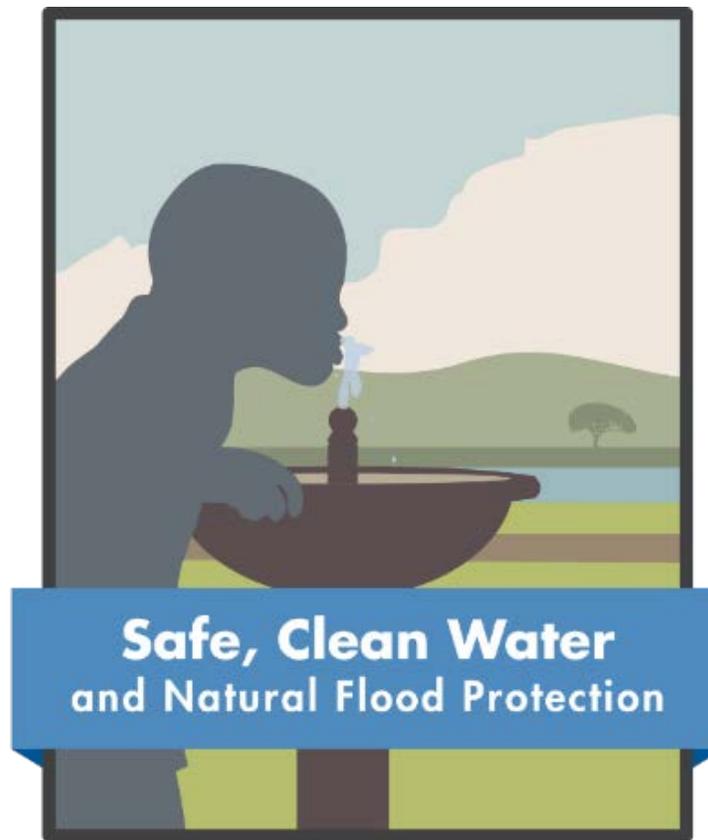




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# Staff response to IMC FY2019 recommendations

Presented by: Meenakshi Ganjoo, Program Administrator

# Grants administration

Recommendations	Staff Response
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="191 449 1261 721">1. Review the process of administering SCW grants with the intent of streamlining the process to the benefit of both the grantor and grantee.</li><li data-bbox="191 735 1261 1235">2. Report metrics from the grants administration on 3 parameters: time to sign contract, time to pay after work completion, and reporting requirements (high, medium or low). We request these metrics for each grant in FY19 and FY20.</li></ol>	<p data-bbox="1291 449 2305 721">Staff agrees and will continue to identify areas to streamline the grant administration and grant application processes.</p> <p data-bbox="1291 763 2331 1249">The Board Audit Committee approved a desk audit of the grants program by an external auditor in FY20. Staff will work with the external auditor to identify streamlining opportunities, collect the IMC's requested metrics, and present the desk audit results to the IMC in FY21.</p>

# IMC: Priority D Only 19% spent

“At the end of the sixth year (40%) of the 15-year SCW, Priority D has spent only 19% of its budget, specifically D1: 20%, D2: 18%, D3: 30%, D4: 19%, D5: 26%, D6: 7%, D7: 10%, D8: 6%. The IMC is concerned that these environmental projects are not getting the priority the public expected...The earlier these projects can be completed, the more beneficial impact to our environment. The IMC would like to see Priority D projects completed at a faster pace than in the first six years of SCW.”

# Reasons for low Priority D spending

1. Big-ticket capital projects yet to go into construction (D4 and D6)
2. New plantings deferred due to drought and plant pathogens (D1)
3. KPIs achieved through partnerships and fewer funds (D2 & D8)
4. Projects cycle between high and low years (D5)
5. Lag time between grant dollars awarded and encumbered (D3)
6. Not all available grant dollars may be awarded during the year due to the number and strength of applications (D3)

# Priority D on track to achieve KPIs

1. Projects at pace with the Board-approved FY19-23 Safe, Clean Water 5-Year Implementation Plan
2. Spending to jump in the coming years
3. The first of the Priority D projects, D7, completed in FY20
4. Projects to achieve all key performance indicators (KPIs)



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# Committee membership

Recommendation	Staff Response
<p>The IMC encourages Board to actively recruit new IMC members to fill vacancies. The IMC also recommends that in recruiting new members, the Board clearly explain the time commitment involved, the timeline of the review and the nature of the IMC review process. Members should commit to attend majority of full committee and sub-committee meetings.</p>	<p>Staff acknowledges the concern expressed... Staff will continue to work with Directors on recruiting and filling the committee vacancies in a timely manner. Staff will also provide interested candidates information on roles and responsibilities of IMC members, including the time commitment. Furthermore, staff will update the webpage with similar information, as well as review and discuss the time commitment requirements during the orientation of new committee members.</p>

# Project-Specific Recommendations

# Nitrate grants outreach

Recommendation	Staff Response
<p>A2: Staff reach out to medical and health service providers in South County regarding the Nitrate Treatment System Rebate Program.</p>	<p>Staff agrees and plans to reach out to the Santa Clara County Department of Public Health to help inform Santa Clara County's medical community of the Nitrate Treatment System Rebate Program, focusing on those that serve areas where elevated nitrate is most commonly observed.</p>

# Berryessa Flood Protection Project

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Recommendation	Staff Response
<p>Other Capital Flood Protection and CSC: Add an asterisk to status of “Completed” with the explanation that there may be outstanding financial obligations for mitigation.</p>	<p>Staff agrees and will add an asterisk to the status of “Completed” with the explanation that there may be outstanding financial obligations for mitigation.</p>

# QUESTIONS





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